

In re Application of: Donald J. McMichael

Group Art Unit: 3763

Serial No.: 09/660,665

Examiner: Roz Ghafoorian

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Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

Claims	Highest			
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Total Effective Claims	23	Minus	35	= 0 x \$18 =
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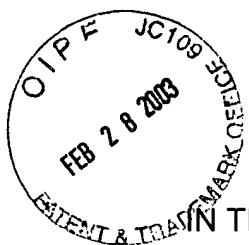
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Sir:

The present Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2002, in the above-captioned application. Please enter the following Amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel the withdrawn claims 24-35 without prejudice to the subject matter claimed therein.

Please amend claims 1, 2, and 18 as indicated on the attached sheets which show the particular claim amendments. The claims as amended are presented below. All pending claims are presented for sake of convenience.

1. (Amended) An enteral feeding adapter for use with a medical feeding

device to deliver substances into a patient, the enteral feeding adapter suitable for use

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